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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Support

SUBJECT : Nomination for Rockefeller Award

1. This is in response to the request for my suggestions regarding a nominee for the Rockefeller Public Service Awards program.

2. I see no point in nominating an officer below the level of Deputy Director. ~~Neither the Director nor the Deputy Director~~ of Central Intelligence is eligible for nomination because ~~they are~~ ^{not} Presidential appointees. ^{he is a} I assume that Colonel White's candidacy was considered before this request was referred to us. Both you and Jack Smith need a little longer in your present roles to establish a record and Des FitzGerald seems disqualified as the head of an "anonymous" service. Sherman Kent has been nominated for the President's Award for Distinguished Civilian Service and past experience suggests that he would be unlikely to receive both awards in the same year. John Bross' present role doesn't permit, I believe, sufficient public elaboration to support his nomination. UK?

3. It would seem, therefore, that there is no intramural competition to the nomination of Dr. Wheelon for this award. The complication in his case is that the brochure on the award states that "Normally candidates shall have been in the employ of the Federal Government for a minimum of 15 years and shall be between the age of 45 and 60 years" (emphasis supplied). Dr. Wheelon has ^a little less than four years of service and is 36 years old. Unless we want to seek an exception to the "normal" rule, he would not seem to be eligible for nomination.

4. For the reasons stated above, it is suggested that no nomination be made for this award this year. If you agree, we will be glad to prepare an appropriate letter to Dr. Van de Velde from the Director.

Emmett D. Echols
Director of Personnel

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